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BATTERY ELECTRODE, APPARATUS FOR
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BATTERY ELECTRODE

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

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TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

In a counterpart Korean application, an Office Action dated June 13, 2007, was received by Applicants. A copy of the Korean Office Action is attached herewith.

Documents A1 and A5 belong to the same “patent family,” whereby the English language document may assist the PTO in understanding the content of the non-English language document.

Documents A2, A3 and A4 belong to the same “patent family,” whereby the English language document may assist the PTO in understanding the content of the non-English language document.

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Applicants wish to advise the Examiner that document JP 10-064514, cited in the Korean Office Action, was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement dated December 13, 2005, and is not provided herewith.

Unless otherwise indicated, no English translation is readily available (not considering machine-generated translations that may be freely available online, to both the Applicant and

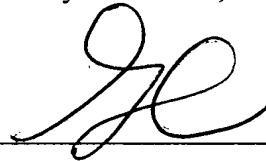
the PTO) for each of the non-English language documents. However, a commercially available English language abstract is provided herewith, where indicated on the attached Form PTO/SB/08. Inasmuch as Applicants have endeavored to provide at least one item that complies with the requirement for a "concise explanation of relevance" for each of the non-English language documents, each of these documents has been submitted in compliance with the PTO requirements and should be considered by the Examiner (37 CFR §1.97, §1.98 and MPEP §609).

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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Respectfully submitted,

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